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THE WAR IN VIRGINIA.

The President Reviews the Army of the Potomac.

GREAT ENTHUSIASM OF THE TROOPS.

IMPORTANT MOVEMENT FROM FORTRESS MONROE.

THE CARTEL OF EXCHANGE.

THE HARPER'S FERRY SURRENDER BEING INVESTIGATED.

A Wisconsin Colonel Dismissed from the Service.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4.—It is believed that the nearest point to Washington on the Southern Potomac, at which there are any rebels, is the Rappahannock Station, on the Orange and Alexandria railroad, fifty-one miles from Alexandria.

This morning, one of Gen. Halleck's scouts brought in a man named H. McKenney, who was arrested near Leesburg on the charge of being a spy in the rebel service. He was taken before the provost marshal, who sent him to the old capitol prison.

The following is the cartel under which prisoners are exchanged in the existing war with the Southern States:

HALLECK'S LANDING, OR JAMES RIVER, Va., July 22, 1862.

The undersigned, having been commissioned by the authorities they respectively represent, to make arrangements for a general exchange of prisoners of war, have agreed to the following articles:

ARTICLE I.—It is hereby agreed and stipulated that all prisoners of war held by either party, including those taken on private armed vessels, shall be discharged, upon conditions and terms following:

"Prisoners to be exchanged, man for man, and officer for officer; privateers to be placed upon the footing of officers and men of the navy; men and officers of lower grades may be exchanged for officers of higher grades, and men and officers of different services may be exchanged according to the following scale of equivalents:

A general commanding-in-chief or an admiral shall be exchanged for officers of equal rank, or for sixty privates or common seamen; a flag officer or major general for officers of equal rank or forty privates or common seamen; a commander carrying a broad pennant or brigadier general for twenty privates; a captain in the navy or colonel for fifteen privates; a lieutenant colonel or commander in the navy for ten privates or common seamen; a lieutenant commander or major for eight privates; a lieutenant or master in navy or captain in army or marines for six privates or master's mate or lieutenant and ensigns in army for four privates or common seamen; midshipmen or warrant officers, masters of merchant vessels and commanders of privateers for three privates or common seamen. 2d. Captains, lieutenants, or masters of merchant vessels or privateers, and all petty officers in the navy, and all non commissioned officers in the army or marines, shall be exchanged for persons of their own or equal rank, or for two private soldiers or common seamen; and private soldiers or seamen shall be exchanged for each other man for man.

ART. 2nd. Local, state, civil, and militia rank held by persons not in service, will not be recognized till the basis of exchange is made, being the grade equally held in the service of the respective parties.

ART. 3. If citizens held by either party on charges of disloyalty or any alleged civil offences are exchanged, it shall only be for citizens. Captured suttlers and teamsters and all civilians in actual service of either party shall be exchanged for persons in similar position.

ART. 4. All prisoners of war are to be exchanged on parole in ten days after their capture and prisoners now held or hereafter taken to be transported to parties mutually agreed upon at the expense of the capturing party. Surplus prisoners not exchanged shall not be permitted to take up arms again nor to serve as a military, police or constabulary force in any fort, garrison or field work held by either of the respective parties, nor as guards of prisons, depots or stores, nor to be discharged from any duty usually performed by soldiers until exchanged under the provisions of this cartel. Exchange is not to be considered complete until the officers or men exchanged shall be actually restored to the lines to which they belong.

ART. 5. Each party upon discharge of prisoners of either party is authorized to discharge an equal number of their own officers or men from parole furnishing at some time to the other party a list of their prisoners discharged and of their men relieved from parole, thereby enabling each party to relieve from parole such of their own officers and men as the party may choose. The list thus mutually furnished will keep both parties advised of the true condition of exchanging prisoners.

ART. 6.—The stipulations and provisions above-mentioned are to be of binding obligation during the continuance of the war. It matters not which party may have the surplus of prisoners, the great principles hereby settled being: First, an equitable exchange of prisoners, man for man, officer for officer, and officers of higher grades as for privates, according to the scale of equivalents; second, that privateers and officers and men of different services may be exchanged according to scale of equivalents; third, that all prisoners, of whatever arm of service, are to be exchanged or paroled ten days from the time of their capture if it be practicable to transfer them to their own lines in that time, if not as soon thereafter as practicable; fourth, that no officer, or soldier, or employe in the service of either party is to be considered as exchanged and absolved from his parole until his equivalent has actually reached the lines of his friends; fifth, that the parole forbids performance of field, garrison, police, guard or constabulary duty.

(Signed,) JNO. A. DIX, Maj. Gen. U. S. A.
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SUPPLEMENTARY ARTICLES.

ARTICLE 7.—All prisoners of war now held on either side, and all prisoners hereafter taken, shall be sent with all practicable dispatch to Fort Monroe, Va., to be delivered to the authorities of the United States or such officer or officers as may be appointed to receive them, and all prisoners now held or hereafter taken by the United States shall be sent with all practicable dispatch to Vicksburg, Miss., and there exchanged, or paroled until such exchange can be effected, notice being previously given by each party of the number of prisoners it will send, and of the time when they will be delivered at those points, respectively; and in case the vicissitudes of war shall change the military relations of the places designated in this article to contending parties, so as to render the same inconvenient for the delivery and exchange of prisoners, other places, bearing as nearly as may be the present location of said places to the lines of said parties, shall by mutual agreement be substituted, but nothing contained in this article shall prevent the commanders of the two opposing armies from exchanging prisoners or releasing them on parole at those points mutually agreed upon by said commanders.

ART. 8. For the purpose of carrying into effect the foregoing articles, each party will appoint two agents, to be stationed at the places of delivery of prisoners of war, whose duties it shall be to communicate with each other by correspondence or otherwise, to prepare list of prisoners, to attend to the delivery of prisoners at places agreed upon, and to carry out promptly, efficiently and in good faith all the details of the provisions of said articles of agreement.

ART. 9. And in case any misunderstanding shall arise in regard to any clause or stipulation of the foregoing articles, it is mutually agreed that such misunderstanding shall not interrupt release of prisoners on parole as herein provided, but shall be made subject of friendly explanations in order that the object of this agreement may further be defeated or postponed.

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Col. H. T. Sanders of the 19th Wisconsin volunteers having marched with a detachment of his command in April, from Racine to Prairie du Chien without having his commissary duties provided for and secured, and having contracted for the subsistence of his men at an extravagant price without due regard to the interests of the government, has, by direction of the president, been dismissed from the service.

The military commission, of which General Hunter is president, is understood to be investigating the circumstances attending the surrender of Harper's Ferry, and has summoned a large number of witnesses in the case.

HEADQUARTERS ARMY OF THE POTOMAC,
October 3, 1862.

The president in company with General McClellan, to-day reviewed the several corps of the army of the Potomac, beginning with that of Burnside, near the mouth of the Antietam, and concluding with that of Franklin at Bakersville, and those of Porter and Reynolds.

At the review of each corps the people collected in large numbers and manifested the greatest enthusiasm in meeting the president and McClellan. The prevailing spirit of loyalty was clearly indicated by the greeting which on every hand was showered on these distinguished men.

The president, after visiting Gen. Richardson, who lies near by, will in the morning be escorted to Frederick, where he will take a special train for Washington.

PITTSBURGH, Oct. 4.—The Fortress Monroe correspondent of the Philadelphia *Press* says that an advance movement is going on there which may take a prominent place in history. It has Richmond for its destination, it is supposed.

Major General Dix has succeeded in ousting nearly all of the worthless pro-slavery officers who infested this point, so that in the movement about to take place the rebels will be missing their mail bags.

All the mill ary posts in the vicinity of Fortress Monroe have been greatly strengthened of late.

The enemy is evidently contracting his lines about Winchester, awaiting the battle which will soon be forced upon him by Gen. McClellan, who has cautiously moved a large army across the Potomac.

Gen. Lee's conscripts are deserting in large numbers. The Maryland hills are full of them.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4.—According to the act of Congress of July, the Western gunboat fleet has been transferred from the war to the navy department. All vessels now under construction or repairs by the authority of the war department are to be completed and paid for under the authority of the navy department, from appropriations made for that purpose.

FROM CAIRO AND BELOW.

Great Battle in Progress near Corinth.

Unusual Activity in the Western Navy.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]
CAIRO, Oct. 4, 1862.

A dispatch has just been received from Columbus, Ky., to the effect that a general engagement was in progress in the vicinity of Corinth at 3 o'clock this afternoon. The firing who distinctly heard at Bethel, twenty miles from Corinth. We are entirely without telegraphic communication beyond Bethel, and are, of course, unable to give the result. The battle will probably be the bloodiest of the war, in this region. No doubt is entertained here of the final result.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]
MEMPHIS, Oct. 3.—VIA CAIRO, Oct. 4, 1862.

A person from Holly Springs yesterday reports the rebels there in some force.

Two large drug firms of this city have been convicted of furnishing medicines to the amount of several thousand dollars to the confederates and sentenced to Alton. Their names are R. D. W. Ward and W. C. McClelland, Samuel Mansfield and Dr. Jennings, and a Dr. Plummer.

Five guerillas and three horses were captured at Randolph on Tuesday, and one was shot. Five were taken on Pigeon Roost road a few miles from here, by the 9th Illinois cavalry, on Wednesday last.

Southern papers say that Nashville must surrender, as it is completely invested by rebel troops.

CAIRO, Oct 3.—Commodore Davis has been here for several days, and an unusual activity is manifested in the navy. A blow is to be struck soon, and just what is not known. He will not be informed till after the occurrence.

Low water and sickness have much interfered with river movements. The Eastport has not been able to get over the Helena bar, and, even if she passed that, she would meet with difficulty below.

Cold weather and a little more water will enable every obstruction up the five navigations of the Mississippi to be removed at once.

THE WAR IN MISSOURI.

Reported Federal Reverse.

COL. RITCHIE'S INDIAN REGIMENT WHIPPED.

TIGHTENING THE REINS IN ST. LOUIS.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]
ST. LOUIS, Oct. 4, 1862.

Advices from Sarcoxie, where Gen. Scofield has his head-quarters, says a messenger has arrived there with a report that Col. Ritchie's Indian regiment had been attacked and badly whipped by the rebels. All their wagons were captured and Ritchie was retreating towards Kansas.

A refugee from McBride's command reached Springfield on the 29th, and among other pices of information we learned that the doughty Col. Shaller, late major in Is Frost's second regiment at Camp Jackson and formerly leader of the minnie men in St. Louis, one of the first traitors in that hot-bed of treason and an erring son of the loyal city of Pittsburg, was shot six times by his own men at Pocahontas. At last accounts he was very low, and it was supposed he could not survive.

Gen. Curtis has issued an order requiring permits to cover shipments from this city to all points. This is quite a restriction to merchants. No permit can be issued unless accompanied by an oath of allegiance.

SPRINGFIELD, Mo., Oct. 1.—The correspondent of the Missouri *Democrat* says that last evening rumors were afloat of sounds of artillery firing in the direction of Sarcoxie, but they were deemed unreliable. To-day the rumors increased, and by noon word was received that a fight had taken place. The enemy's forces are unknown, and we have not learned the particulars. Reports from McBride's command came in to-day, and from him we learn that nearly every able-bodied man in the northern portion of Arkansas is either a conscript or a refugee. Their treatment is represented as cruel. Their homes are robbed by armed bands of plunderers, who take the men, with all the property that can be of any possible use to the army, leaving the women and children to starve for the want of necessary food.

Advices from Sarcoxie of Sept. 25th state that two brigades of the Kansas army had arrived there. The rebel Coffee, with 2,000 men, was at Newtonia, fifteen miles south of that place, when Salomon's advance guard arrived, but a rebel major who was there on a visit made his escape and gave Coffee notice of our approach. He at once left, and immediately retreated South. The rebels at Sarcoxie say they have 10,000 men at Cowskin Prairie, and that Hindman, with 20,000 is in Arkansas, near the line, and, as soon as they join forces, they will march direct on St. Louis. All the prisoners taken tell of rich booty promised them when they take St. Louis. It seems that such promises are the great incentives used by rebel generals to keep their men together.

THE WAR IN KENTUCKY.

General Morgan's Fighting Retreat.

[From the Cincinnati Commercial, 4th inst.]

Reliable information reached this city last night of the arrival of General G. W. Morgan at Greensquburg, Kentucky, on the Ohio River. Greensquburg is about fifteen miles from Portsmouth, and, as any map will show, is the point within easiest reach of Gen. Morgan, provided he had to strike the river above Maysville.

Gen. Morgan left Cumberland Gap on the night of the 17th of September, the force of the rebel Gen. Stephenson being at Barbourville within three miles of his front—that is to say, south. He was apparently completely cut off from the Ohio by the forces of Gen. Bragg, Kirby Smith, John Morgan and Marshall. General Morgan left the Gap amid the explosion of mines and magazines, lighters, and loss of all the steamboats of the commissary and quartermaster. The rebel commander, Stevenson, was entirely surprised. At 5 o'clock on the evening of the 18th (a few hours before the evacuation) General Morgan sent official communications to Stevenson, and the officers of the two armies remained in consultation that, by mutual agreement of truce, for more than an hour. All the guns at the Gap were brought away except four thirty-pound Parrotts, which were too heavy for transportation. The trunnions were knocked off.

During the march northward our army was constantly encountered by the enemy's cavalry, at first by Stevenson's men, and then by John H. Morgan and his gang. Our Morgan maintained the offensive throughout, and on every occasion, numbering twenty-four successive hours. Three nights in succession the rebel Morgan's men were driven from their camps. The rebel Morgan is described the year or our Gen.

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THE WARRINGTON LETTER.

OUR CAIRO LETTER.

SPRINGFIELD CORRESPONDENCE.

NEW JERSEY.

THE PRESIDENTIAL PEACE MEDDLERS.

SAFETY FILM

WANTED—To purchase a Piano.

WANTED—A situation in a

WANTED—For Cash, a few

WANTED.—A young lady,

WANTED—A Housekeeper by

WANTED—Clerks.

WANTED.—Fifteen men wanted

WANTED, AGENTS.—Some-

SOMETHING NOVEL,

WANTED—A good cook, white

WANTED—By a young man,

WANTED—Furnished Rooms,

WANTED—A young man

WANTED—A Store on or near

WANTED—A situation as House-

WANTED—Stove Plate Moulders

WANTED—House and Lot

WANTED—Gentlemen, Ladies

WANTED—For Cash and Trade.

WANTED—For Cash or Trade.

WANTED—By a man of experi-

WANTED—Smart, intelligent

WANTED—Orders from

AGENTS AND SUTLERS

WANTED.

MILLERS, ATTENTION!

WANTED, AGENTS—Of ho-

PRIZE PACKAGES AND PORTFOLIOS

WANTED.—Persons requiring

WANTED—Agents to canvas for

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WANTED—At 169 Dearborn St.,

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For Sale.

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE—

FOR SALE—A fine Mare

FOR SALE—Second hand Cal-

FOR SALE—One first class Bag-

FOR SALE—A first-class Pain-

FOR SALE—Large House

WOOL GROWERS ATTENTION!

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ABE'S KNEE PLUSHES.

The handsome compliment that has yet been paid to the proclamation of the President is furnished by the debate in the rebel Congress, of which our despatches furnish a summary. The shaft was aimed straight at them, and the immense fluttering shows that they are hit. We do not notice that any "derisive laughter" forms a share in the exercises. That is of the past. It is impossible not to see in this debate that the rebels read their doom. The words and arguments they use would become the deck of a pirate ship, for which escape was hopeless in the presence of a stronger adversary. They rage, but their wrath exposes their weakness. The weapon has found the joint in their harness where the vitals of the rebellion have been reached. Read this proof, honest doubting men of the North, and tell us that this proclamation is of no avail—that it will reach nowhere, and return to plague the inventor. Can any loyal man say that it was a duty longer to withhold an instrument of so crushing effect? The secession emasculators of the North find their main gun spiked. The rebels do heed this proclamation. The sensation it has caused in secessia is the most marked of the war. The South has heard of it, and it has reached the remotest plantation of Whippy Swamp. By every teeming proof it was well timed. Every quarter of the horizon is bright with the promise that it will end the war.

THOSE WHO HATE THE PROCLAMATION.

There are many proofs of the existence in the North of a large class, who believe in the justice and expediency of slavery, and of a much larger class who, while they profess to be opposed to human bondage from reasons both of right and policy, yet always rise up and shield it whenever its life is threatened. To persons with these views the Proclamation of the President is most offensive. They denounce it with bitterness and violence, partly because it does bring slavery into imminent danger of extinction; and more, because it compels them to give up all hypocritical and craven disguise, and come out openly either for or against the institution. The squirming, and dodging, and painful efforts that these men make, to avoid having their masks torn off and their real features seen, is one of the grand shows of the times, and nothing has so roused their wrath against the administration as the last measure whose uncovering and detecting force they hate of all things. The proclamation leaves but little chance henceforth for that large body of political aspirants, corrupt managers and writers of journals, dishonest party leaders and declaimers, and ungospelled priests and preachers, who have so long professed freedom and defended slavery; shouted for the Union, but worked against it; cried long and loud against the infamy and crime of the rebellion, but kept guard with eternal vigilance, and beat back with countless blows, every effort to harm or destroy the institution, which is the life blood, the very heart and soul of the revolt. If the people sustain the proclamation, the occupation of this large class of Northern menials and slavery tools is gone. They see with consternation, fat offices, high places, positions of influence and preferment, great present having and dazzling promises of a still greater future, slipping forever from their grasp and beyond their reach, and they rally with all the energy of desperation to defend their allies and overthrow the common foe. It is one of the extraordinary facts in our political history, that the party which claimed to be Democratic, and which to-day clings to the name, increased its strength and maintained its supremacy in the country by a close alliance with slavery. By submitting to the dictation, and obeying the behests of the slave power, the old Democracy for a long time sustained its rule in the nation; and although all that was true in patriotism and eminent in talent, long since were driven from it by the shameless prostitution to the basest lusts of slavery, to which the purity of that high and noble old party was abandoned, yet, the men who thus degraded and sold it to the most revolting uses, can find no means of living and no hope of reward, save in keeping up the same infamous practices, and receiving while they may the price of their party's shame. There are men in the North to-day who tremble at the thought that slavery may be destroyed; there are editors whose infamous sheets would be blank if they could not fill them with lies, frauds, and all abominable things in help of slavery; and there are prominent public men in the free North who read with pale faces and trembling limbs the doom of slavery, for they find in that the death of every ambitious hope and political scheme they love most.

The idea that the men who denounce the proclamation care nothing for slavery, and are not concerned about its fate; but are solely troubled with wise fears lest this step may help the rebellion, and harm the cause of the Union, is all the veriest stuff. No man dislikes the proclamation who does not like slavery; and the only real fear such a man has, is that slavery is in danger. If you get inside of such a man's pretexts and disguises, and see clearly what he does want and long for, you will find it to be, that he supposes that at present the very existence of peace and order depend upon maintaining and defending the domestic institution; which is clearly, only saying in another phrase, that slavery is the corner stone of the Republic. When a man denounces emancipation as unwise, he means that slavery is wise. When he declares human freedom unsafe, he says in effect, that human bondage is safe. When he pronounces Freedom a poor and frail foundation for building upon, it is plain that he will seek his foundation in Slavery. However much such a man may insist that he is a faithful follower of Lincoln, he does in heart and life believe in the doctrines of Alexander Stephens, and do his works. No man who pronounces a proclamation of liberty to be no better than an old tub, thrown out on the stormy waves, for the sport of big fish; who cannot bring himself to believe it to be more than a mere trick, or cunning contrivance for temporary diversion, could possibly believe in the solid reality of anything better than Slavery. A man to whom Human Freedom is but a tub, to be flung overboard, Slavery must be the primitive rock and foundation stone of all things.

All these men are rousing, arming and gathering against the proclamation. They might have stood most anything else from the administration; but a determined, open, fair and honest attempt to end Slavery, is too much for them. Do anything but that and they are with us; but to aim a fatal blow at Slavery, is more than they can stand. They will resist it to the bitter end. They might have endured defeat, disaster, dismission, and disgrace; but the destruction of Slavery, never. They love their country, but they would not have it saved without Slavery. They love their God, but it is because he is to them the God of Slavery.

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☞ The New York papers do say, although we doubt the truth of the assertion, that Brigadier General Frank E. Spinola's shirt collar is so big, that it is frequently taken by the enemy for a flag of truce. The same papers call upon him to shake at least three quarters off.

NEW JERSEY.

Lying between the cities of New York and Philadelphia, and peopled largely by the wealthy, comparatively ignorant and supremely selfish aristocracy of those great marts of trade, New Jersey has been peculiarly distinguished for hunkers, not to say in some localities, traitor politics. Here is the unenviable distinction among all the free States, of having given a part of her vote against Mr. Lincoln in the last presidential canvas. And besides the influences to which we have referred, the State is cursed by a wealthy, powerful and most odious railroad monopoly, which for nearly a generation has virtually held the State in the grasp of a giant and ruled it mainly for its own benefit.

But in spite of all untoward influences, the great mass of the people of New Jersey have shown themselves laffextbly loyal to the constitution and the government of their country. From the commencement of the rebellion to the present hour, her sons have been among the very foremost in every battle east of the mountains, where danger and death are to be braved and the glorious old flag of their country up to be vindicated. The war has brought all true patriots in New Jersey, as elsewhere, together, and it is believed that at the next election "little Jersey" will be true to her revolutionary memories and present an unbroken front in sustaining the laws and the constitution of her country. The nomination of Hon. Marcus L. Ward of Newark, at the recent Republican State Convention, gives the highest assurance that no cheering a result will be reached. Broad and liberal in his views, knowingly loyal to the constitution, an active, energetic business man, and in all respects a high-toned, courteous gentleman, New Jersey will honor herself by his triumphant election. No State in the Union will have a better Governor, and the national cause no firmer, no more energetic and intelligent supporter. So long as the Republican party chooses such leaders as Marcus L. Ward, it is sure to triumph.

PLAIN TALK.

We learn from Louisville that, when the order for Buell's removal came, his division commanders—pro-slavery men, all—got together and represented to the Government that, owing to the peculiar condition of affairs in Kentucky—the movements of the enemy, Buell's supposed knowledge of their intentions, and the ability of our forces to meet them—his removal for the present—at any rate until active service should be relieved—was a necessity; hence they beseeched Gen. Halleck to let him remain. We learn, further, that, while he is nominally at the head of the Department, Gen. Thomas, his next in rank, is to conduct all operations in the field. And so the matter stands.

Buell should unquestionably have been kicked out, when he declared he did not know what the war was about. And he should permit no one under him to dare to inquire. Since then, he has been almost if not quite a year in the field, and save his slow march from Nashville to Pittsburg Landing, and his subsequent delay in the battle of Shiloh, he has done nothing—worse than nothing. He has let the government more than [illegible] In his retreat, he sacrificed the Union men of Kentucky and Tennessee by leaving them, their property and their families, to the tender mercies of the secesh who are thirsting for their blood. He abandoned the country after a year's endeavor had conquered, and a shadow of excuse hastened his quarters at Louisville. He could confer with the President of that policy—his policy—that of all loyal men to the verge of treason. Yet, at the solicitation of others in the—Thomas, Crittenden, McCook & Co. (defunct)—he is retained. We ask the President that the country is tired of such generals and of such work. That people may not be versed in the science of military science, but they know a military failure—advance from retreat—a successful campaign from a disastrous abandonment of country once overrun. They believe that, with the means at the command of our armies and their leaders, Kentucky is a duty, and he who does not believe it is guilty of incompetency, cowardice or treason, and should be at once displaced, if not sent over-seas to the West Pointers who are unwillingly contending against an aristocracy kindred to that to which they belong, have more to fear from the forces in their rear than they have from the ragged and forlorn enemy in front, they will do nothing.

That gracious vagabond Key, just kicked out of Halleck's staff by the President, flitting and slightly worn from Corinth to Washington, when he declared that the South must not be so badly beaten in the field that an equitable adjustment (unquestionably on a slave basis, misnamed a Democratic basis) would not be possible. He blabbed—let the cat out of the bag—revealed the secret cause of the disasters that have overwhelmed our arms. We have no doubt that he told the truth. Save the feelings of our dubbed Christians of the South; do not touch that sacred thing Slavery; do not criticise our generals who are marching upon with pale faces and trembling limbs the doom of slavery, for they find in that the death of every ambitious hope and political scheme they love most.

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☞ The New York papers do say, although we doubt the truth of the assertion, that Brigadier General Frank E. Spinola's shirt collar is so big, that it is frequently taken by the enemy for a flag of truce. The same papers call upon him to shake at least three quarters off.

Bounty to Soldiers of Discharged Soldiers.

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE,
ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,
SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Sept. 29, 1862.

Military Claim Agency!

Can you, honest, but out of means the public generally, or the gentlemen in the Legislature in particular, inform me whether the Governor of the Sucker State has made any provision for the benefit of soldiers. Many noble boys have fallen, leaving their dear disconsolate wives and children in circumstances unpleasant to contemplate. Many instances the department has acknowledged the correctness of the application, but not the validity of the claim, thus taken no further action in the matter. With a similar cause pervading all rebellious to constituted, and most relatives and families of the soldiers thus entitled to the *use suffer or accept public charity!* If so, is it right and just? What think you? Please inform, and thus favor A READER.

We reply to the above that in a very few instances the $100 bounty promised to the widows and heirs of soldiers deceased, has been paid, as we are informed, but the claims to secure the bounty, and arrears of pay due on account of the services of deceased soldiers have been paid, are indigestient in number in comparison with the vast number of those claims which have been presented to the proper department at Washington, and seem now to be buried in oblivion so far as the officials are concerned. So that the inquiry of our correspondent is pertinent and proper. The cessation of the departments at Washington whose duty it is to audit and allow or reject these claims and to provide for the payment of such as are correct, is to acknowledge the receipt of the claim, acknowledging its correctness, in cases where they appear to be correct, with the additional assurances in case of pensions that the claim will be *examined at an early date*, and the result communicated to the claimants. There the cases rest for months. We are told they are to be audited in their turn—but the turn seems never to come. The invalid soldier, wearied by a promise thus daily renewed and daily broken, in the meantime lives on the meagre charities of the world, or dies broken hearted at the ingratitude and neglect of the very government for the maintenance of which he has exposed his life and destroyed his health. If the claimants could have the assurance that at any certain time, no matter if that time were distant many weeks or even months, when they would receive their money, much anxiety, complaint, and suffering would be avoided.

These promises and bounties are as much a part of the reward for which the soldier contracts when he enters the service as is the monthly wages; it is as ill becoming in the government to delay the payment of them as of the monthly stipend; indeed the delay or neglect to pay the former is often far more productive of suffering, since the sick and disabled soldiers and their bereaved heirs have often no other dependence for their support than that bounded by the government in the form of pensions, bounties, and the back pay; while the soldier in actual service is fed and clothed out of the government purse, though his wages may be withheld for the time.

The departments are or ought to be supplied with a sufficient clerical force to attend to the business of this kind, and large appropriations of money have been made for payment of these claims. It is therefore difficult to assign any good reason why these claims are not paid within a short time after they are properly proved and presented. The evil of this neglect is a crying one. It is cruel injustice, and base ingratitude. When the evil will be remedied is more than we can tell. We believe that Congress in its system of pension and bounty laws has intended a substantial and immediate advantage and relief to those who suffer on account of military demands of the country. Prompt payment then would meet the need of the beneficiaries, and the views of the national legislature. If the payments are not speedily made, the good that such laws can do is lost.

A LETTER FROM CAIRO.

The Crops in Egypt—How the Farmers Like the Late Proclamation—The Contrabands.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

CAIRO, Oct 2, 1862.

The wheat crop from Mattoon south has been good—the best for several years. The corn crop at one time promised a great yield, but the dry weather through August was unfavorable to it, and the yield will be only a moderate one, though far better than for the past three or four years. Oats are a fine crop, while potatoes are nowhere. Last year the yield of this vegetable was enormous; now the supply must come from other points. Fruit of all kinds is good.

Almost every person you meet at the stations and on the train is jubilant over the proclamation emancipating slaves, and I have not received the order under all circumstances to avoid any collision whatsoever with the rebel troops, which was issued early in April of the same race would have been terrible. However, far better as it is. Whatever may be the result of my wounds, whatever fate the government may assign me, I am free from the consciousness of having done my duty; and the sacrifice of my life is a very little thing if it has contributed to the success of a great number of my fellow-countrymen.

In the hazardous enterprise in which I and my comrades have been engaged from, with heads bent, I hoped nothing good from the government of Ratasi. But why should I not have hoped for less rigor on the part of the Lord having control of the old programme, and having decided not to alter it at any price? What afflicts me most is this fatal obstinacy, this equilibrium not a little to the incompletion of national unity. However it may be, I once again present to Italy a portion of her children, who are dying here, worn of Rantoul. Over two-thirds for Egypt. Thus, you will see, that this question of contraband is not yet settled. The solution, as Egypt is taking more than her share. There is now here over twenty men from points south of Centralia after contrabands, mostly for their transportation. Gen. Grant is busy all of the time, in fact no department of the goverant exhibits so much activity as that of Cairo. The cotton is coming in slowly, but one person here on that business from Chicago. I understand that these contrabands go out under the protection of the military authorities of the government, and we are under marshal law. Our State constitution is not interfered with in the least. Should any of the rebel sympathizers wish to interfere, the provost marshal will make it his business to look after them.

To-day we conversed with a large number of the most intelligent contrabands in regard to their future prospects. They are unanimous in their desire to remove from the present state of things; but when the war is over, and they can go back to work for themselves. It is almost impossible for one or two winters at the North will fully confirm them in this idea.

There will doubtless be more or less opposition, in old fogy settlements, but it will soon disappear, nor will demagogues like your Mayor Sherman be able to bring the farmers to their senses. They have been together, by mouthing about the sacredness of our State constitution. There is but two points in the matter. One of them is the president has directed the refugees to be distributed through the State, and the other is that there is a present demand for their labor, without which a large amount of corn would be lost. The heavy crops of Egypt, at this time, being more in need of laborers than the North will absorb the largest share.

At present the State is mainly overrun with families of children, the men mostly in our army or to work here, but a large supply will be here as soon as the government can furnish transportation. Persons in want of them should come or send some one to take charge of them, the government paying their passage to any part of the State by rail. The most valuable of the men are retained in the government service; some few are in hospitals, with dysentery, caused by change of water and exposure. They have their own bedding, and, in most cases, provided with cooking utensils, and are well provided with rations by the government. All they need is an opportunity to earn their living, and nearly all of them are able to do so.

I came up last evening and brought fourteen contrabands. It was intended some days since to send 500 to the TRIBUNE as a present, but the secesh and War Democrats are taking them off so rapidly that your chances with the above cargo are small. Something in regard to send the DRACON twenty-five. The truth is that three-fourths of them go to points in Egypt. Now and then they stampede one, but that game will soon be blocked, as the demand for labor is too urgent to withstand. No less than six men were there from Dunquoin, in Perry county, after them. Until a new lot comes it is not worth while to send after any; as they are well sorted up here to-day. I was surprised to see so few of them go to points north of Odin. This morning the train had on some going to Williamson county, at stopping off at Carbondale. Five stop at Duquoin, one at Ashly, twenty-five at Odin to take the O. & M. Railroad to Onley, in Richland county, and only twelve for Centralia, where there is no public work, none worth

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MONDAY, OCTOBER 6, 1862.

THE WAR IN KENTUCKY.

THE CASE OF GEN. BUELL.

Opportunities and Advantages Lost.

AN ADVANCE ON THE REBELS.

[Special Dispatch to the N. Y. Tribune.]

LOUISVILLE, Oct. 5, 1862.

Military circles here have been in a high state of excitement since Monday. There has been a crisis in connection with the chief command of the Union armies now in Kentucky, and many incorrect versions have appeared. The facts are substantially as follows:

Upon the arrival of Gen. Buell at the head of the army on Saturday last, he by virtue of seniority, assumed chief command of his own and the army of Kentucky, lately organized by Gen. Nelson. A day or two after his arrival, an order was received from Gen. Halleck, directing a fusion and reorganization of the armies of Ohio and Kentucky. Generals Buell and Nelson were about carrying this order out when, on Monday morning, Colonel Hill, Gen. Halleck's staff, arrived at Louisville from Washington with an order directing Gen. Buell to turn over the chief command to Major-General Thomas, and assume command of the paroled prisoners and camp of instruction at Indianapolis. Gen. Thomas, with his usual self-appreciation, immediately telegraphed to Washington, asking for the reinstatement of Gen. Buell, as better fitted than himself for the Cincinnati, Rosecrans, Jackson and Boyle, and one or two others—but neither all nor a majority of division or brigade commanders, as asserted—also asked reinstatement, and, in consequence, the order was rescinded on Monday morning, and Gen. Buell restored.

The causes of Buell's temporary disgrace are understood to have been the earnest demonstrations of his unfitness by leading men of the Democratic dispensation of prominent Kentuckians with his failure to prevent the invasion of their State, the urgent request of removal by Andy Johnson, and the president's own dissatisfaction with the disastrous termination of the brilliantly-opened campaign in Tennessee and Alabama. There can be no possible doubt that Buell has lost the confidence of the army of the Ohio, with the exception of the Kentucky regiments. Terms of the bold and like officers and the rank and file openly denounce ... disparaging language. He is now ... to them as McDowell ever was ... missed. Several division and a ma... brigade commanders are likewise ... be utterly dissatisfied. The principal complaints of the officers and men are his ... and indifference toward them—his ... ing them nearly 3 months ... miles since the battle of Shiloh, and making them perform immense amount of fatigue work, brought them back to the Ohio without having been able to counteract, defeat or meet the enemy, and above all, his failure to prevent the Murfreesville disaster and the ... flags on Green River, which, according to all known official data, it was in his power to do.

The joy in his army at the news of his removal was as great and general as was the gloom and discouragement upon intelligence of reinstatement.

On Gen. Buell's restoration, the work of reorganization has been completed. One regiment of new troops has been attached to each brigade. The army of Ohio has been divided into three army corps—named first, second and third—and three divisions, with proper complements of cavalry and artillery. Each corps respectively is commanded by Maj. Gens. McCook, Crittenden and Gilbert. The division commanders of the first corps are Gens. Gill, Rousseau and Jackson; of the second, Gens. Smith, Vanclere and Wood; of the third, Gens. Schoepf of Kansas and Dumont. Crittenden's corps originally was assigned to Nelson. Gen. Buell is first and Gen. Thomas second in command.

Large reserve forces of new troops are being organized, and will remain here under Gen. Boyle.

The rebel forces, under Bragg, Smith and Marshall, are known to be scattered through Scott, Woodford, Franklin, Spencer, Anderson, Boyers and Boyce counties, and busily engaged in foraging and recruiting. No body of any consideration has been seen within two days' march of Louisville this week. The general belief of military men is, that upon the approach of our forces the rebels will hastily concentrate, and commence a retreat toward Tennessee. As they had ample time to appropriate and send off all the horses, mules, cattle, forage and provisions they wanted, they can fight us to much better advantage in Tennessee, near their base, as our army has double their strength in every arm, and as their lines of retreat are open since Buell's transfer from their rear to their front. If they propose to resist our advance at all, they will doubtless make a stand on the Kentucky River, so that a collision will probably take place before the early part of next week. The conviction that the rebels will not fight in Kentucky, but fall back into Tennessee, is universal among old troops, and the prospect of doing the work of the last six months over again is distasteful that large numbers deserted last night across the river upon hearing of the order to march.

The army is closing, since 6 o'clock, the whole of three corps have been in motion. They will move upon the enemy over three separate roads, in forced marches.

SUPREME COURT OF ILLINOIS.

OPINIONS FILED IN CASES ARGUED AT THE SIXTH APRIL TERM, 1862.

The justices of the supreme court have filed their opinions in the following cases, argued at the April term, 1862:

11 Goodenough vs Shepard. Affirmed.
12 Williams vs Comstock. Affirmed.
16 Gibbon vs Thompson. Reversed and remanded.
17 Mitchell vs Brewster. Affirmed.
18 Dibbler vs Briggs. Reversed.
19 Ellis vs L. & C. Affirmed.
20 Stackham vs Munson. Reversed and remanded.
21 Brewster vs Grover. Affirmed.
22 Holbrook vs Trustees, &c. Affirmed.
23 Barnes vs Simmons. Reversed and remanded.
24 Schoonover vs Myers. Affirmed.
25 Galena and Chicago Union railroad Company vs Appleby. Affirmed.
26 Franciscus vs Reigart. Affirmed.
27 Bliby vs Dunn. Affirmed.
28 Foote vs Nichols. Affirmed.
29 Hall vs Burton. Affirmed.
30 Southwick vs Dodge. Reversed.
31 Gaston vs Brown. Reversed.
32 Chycoudy vs Cecil. Reversed and remanded.
33 Smith vs Smith. Reversed and remanded.
34 Dutton vs Bowen. Affirmed.
35 Stoddard vs Jarvis. Affirmed.
36 Hall vs Jones. Reversed.
37 Barron vs Peoria Marine and Fire Insurance Company. Reversed and remanded.
38 Ulmer vs Brown. Reversed and remanded.
39 Plano Manufacturing Company vs Hall. Affirmed.
40 Young vs Harris. Reversed and remanded.
41 Bowman vs Bowman. Reversed and remanded.
42 O Donnell vs Howe Reversed and remanded.
43 McAllister vs Hall. Affirmed.
44 Finley vs Dickerson. Affirmed.
45 Forest vs Tinkham. Affirmed.
46 Weber vs Peoria. Reversed and remanded.
47 Jadway vs Boyd. Affirmed.
48 Vernon vs Boyd. Affirmed.
49 Illinois vs Hopkins. Reversed and remanded.
50 Hunter vs Hunter. Reversed and remanded.
106 McAllister vs Hall. Affirmed.
107 Kidder vs Peoria. Reversed and remanded.
108 Finley vs Dickerson. Affirmed.
109 Fairman vs Dovrn. Affirmed.
114 Lyon vs Steamboat P X Aubrey. Reversed and remanded.
116 Parits vs Lovejoy. Reversed and remanded.
118 Reversed and remanded.
119 Bird vs Eaton. Affirmed.
120 Hopkins vs Hosten. Reversed and remanded.
122 Chicago Marine and Fire Insurance Company vs Stanford. Affirmed.
124 Stiefel vs Ewell. Reversed and remanded.
125 Caldwell vs Farrell. Affirmed.
126 Mason vs McGirr. Reversed and bill dismissed.
128 Applebee vs Rumsey. Reversed and remanded.
129 Waugh vs Leach. Reversed and remanded.
130 Kinsman vs Dever. Reversed and remanded.
131 Keton et al vs Dewes. Affirmed.
132 Schimpf vs Halderscholt. Affirmed.
133 Smith et al vs Nelson. Affirmed.
134 Kinzie et al vs Thomas. Reversed and remanded.
135 Sherrell vs Hickley. Affirmed.
136 Kinney vs Sherman. Affirmed.
137 Cook vs Lloyd et al. Affirmed.
138 Montague vs Kitchell. Reversed and decree denied.
139 Alfaro vs Dayton. Decree reversed and bill dismissed.
140 Dodge vs Deal. Affirmed.
141 Harris vs President and Trustees of Town of Newton. Reversed and remanded.
142 Same vs same. Reversed and remanded.
143 Same vs same. Reversed and remanded.
144 Same vs same. Reversed and remanded.
145 Same vs same. Reversed and cause remanded.
146 Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad Company vs Bond. Reversed and remanded.
147 Bond vs Erickson. Reversed and remanded.
150 Finley vs Lonks et al. Reversed and remanded.
151 Robinson vs Majority. Reversed and remanded.
152 Hibbard vs McKindley. Reversed and remanded.
154 Searls vs Crumble. Reversed and remanded.
156 Tompkins vs Hitt. Reversed and remanded.
157 Baker vs Hays. Affirmed.
159 Douglas vs Whiting. Affirmed.
160 Wade vs Ross. Reversed.
162 Perkins vs Conant. Affirmed.
163 McClelland vs Wilcox. Affirmed.
165 The Marine Bank of Chicago vs Chandler. Affirmed.
166 Same vs Buckman. Affirmed.
167 Same vs Kolson. Affirmed.
168 Harris Hanke and Fire Insurance Company vs Wright. Affirmed.
169 Ladin vs Sherman. Affirmed.
170 Shell vs Cowles. Affirmed.
171 Boyle vs Lovrest. Affirmed.
172 Galena and Chicago Company vs Ryder. Reversed and remanded.
173 Harris vs Miner. Reversed and remanded.
174 Same vs Same. Affirmed vs Wright. Mandamus dismissed.
175 Wright vs Ide et al. Reversed and remanded.
176 Roberts vs Thompson. Affirmed.
177 Same vs Same. Affirmed.
178 Mutual Insurance Company vs City of Peoria. Affirmed.
179 Bank of Peoria vs Calhoun. Reversed and remanded.
180 Bell vs Morgan. Affirmance set aside, cause reversed, and cause remanded.
181 Same vs Same. Reversed and remanded.
182 Same vs Same. Reversed and bill dismissed.
183 Hunt et al vs Watt. Affirmed.
184 Same vs Same. Reversed and decree denied.
185 Hickman vs Kinman. Reversed.
186 Gookin vs Vail. Reversed and remanded.
187 Same vs Same. Affirmed.
188 Same vs Same. Affirmed.
189 Same vs Same. Reversed and remanded.
190 Same vs Same. Reversed and remanded.
191 Same vs Same. Reversed and remanded.
192 Same vs Same. Reversed and remanded.
193 Same vs Same. Reversed and remanded.